

GOMPERS BUCKLES DOWN TO TASK OF ENDING WAGE ROW

Labor Leader Returns to Capital and Goes Into Conference With R. R. Shopmen's Chiefs—Will See Wilson.

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 28.—Samuel Gompers, personal friend of President Wilson, and America's representative on the various commissions at the Paris peace conference relating to labor problems, came back to Washington yesterday and went to work promptly to bring about a peaceful solution of the wage controversy between the railroad shopmen and the government. Mr. Gompers conferred with the committee of the railroad shopmen. The probability is that he will confer with Mr. Wilson just as soon as he is familiar with the situation that has arisen during his (Mr. Gompers') absence in Europe. It is unlikely that Mr. Gompers will favor a rejection of the president's plan because his efforts in behalf of labor in the last six years have been successful largely because of the confidence that the president has had in the judgment of Mr. Gompers as well as his influence with the rank and file of America's conservative laboring men.

On the other hand, Mr. Gompers is well aware that the radicals inside labor's ranks are waiting an opportunity to get his scalp and want to make an issue of anything that might seem to get them a larger amount of support among laborers generally than they now have. Most of the shopmen are dissatisfied with their present wages and the president's honeyed words did not produce much of an impression on the committee which went to the White House on Monday.

A strike vote is now being taken. It really is not a question of whether the shopmen accept or reject Mr. Wilson's answer, but a question of whether or not they will give their leaders authority to call a strike if that becomes necessary. In other words, the shopmen are giving the leaders the right and opportunity to negotiate. Mr. Gompers will no doubt seek a compromise. And perhaps it will be an effort to obtain a pledge of higher wages if the cost of living is not reduced within a specified period, as Mr. Wilson so confidently hopes it will be.

Just now the railroad administration is much more perturbed about the strike in California than anything else. There is a sympathy strike with workmen on a road not now under federal control. The announcement from the railroad brotherhood headquarters in Cleveland that the brotherhood would support the government in that controversy unless the strikers returned to work is expected to help solve the situation. On the whole the prospects of a favorable solution of the larger problems involved in the shopmen's controversy are believed to be brighter since the return of Mr. Gompers. (Copyright, 1915, by David Lawrence.)

SOLDIER AT HOME.

NEWBERN, Tenn., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—Sergeant W. Norton Pritchard, a well-known Dyer county boy, whose squadron has arrived at Park field, Memphis, from Germany, has been the guest of his parents at Rollison, south of Newbern. Sergeant Pritchard's squadron was the first military aviation squadron organized in the world and will start a training school at Millington. For many years he has been a public teacher, but entered the aviation service before war was declared.

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HUNTSVILLE FAVORS NINE MONTHS' SCHOOL

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—The city council of Huntsville has adopted a resolution by unanimous vote pledging itself to favor a nine-months' term for the public schools of Huntsville and to provide the finances for a term of that length through the city board of education as provided by law. The resolution sets at rest current reports that many of the people had defeated the three-month school tax in the special election of Aug. 5, it would be found necessary to curtail the term of the schools. The council will find the money somehow. It is stated, and the result of the election will not be allowed to become a disaster to the schools. The schools will be operated on the same scale as if the three-month tax had won.

PEARL HARBOR TO BAR ANY ASIATIC WARS

HONOLULU, Aug. 28.—War against the United States will be made almost prohibitive for any Oriental nation through the establishment at Pearl Harbor base here of the greater part of the new Pacific fleet, according to naval authorities. The arrival of the fleet in August, it was declared, would make Pearl Harbor one of the greatest naval bases in the world and the most important to the United States. The authorities have said Hawaii affords the only possible location for a strong naval base in the Central Pacific ocean for a distance of 4,000 miles. It lies approximately 2,500 miles off the American coast. If Hawaii were the hands of an enemy, according to local authorities, that nation could harass and threaten the entire Pacific coast. To guard the Pacific coast against an enemy occupying Hawaii, the United States would be compelled to keep a fleet many times the size required with Hawaii as an American base, it is declared.

With the United States in control of the island of Oriental nation moving against the United States would be compelled to work from a base 7,000 miles from the American coast only 2,500 miles off.

Pearl Harbor, where the base is situated, is considered one of the best, if not the best, natural harbor in the world. It has an area of 10 square miles and a depth of more than 40 fathoms. It is landlocked and ships within the harbor are out of view from the sea. The new drydock just completed will be officially opened by Secretary of the Navy Daniels when he arrives with the fleet. It is 1,025 feet long, 138 feet wide and can handle any ship afloat or contemplated.

The war department also has ample sites at the channel entrance and ready has engaged on the construction of protecting defenses. A considerable force also is maintained in the islands.

COUNTY CHAIRMAN CALLS CONSTITUTION ELECTION

LEXINGTON, Tenn., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—John F. Hall, chairman of the Henderson county election commission, has decided to call an election for Sept. 4 on the constitutional convention. He says he has received no direct communication from the governor as requested by the act.

RAILROAD WRECK KILLS CONDUCTOR AND FLAGMAN

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 28.—J. Harry Salisbury, of Knoxville, conductor, and Roy H. Crane, of Knoxville, flagman on the Southern railway, were instantly killed early Thursday night when a passenger train sidwiped a freight train at Hankin, Cooke county on the Morristown-Asheville division of the Southern railway.

NEW HIGHWAY BEGUN.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—Work is under way on a new highway between Gurley and Paint Rock connecting the Pike system of Madison and Jackson counties. With the completion of the new road there will be good roads from the western border of Madison county almost to Chattanooga.

HELD ON STILL CHARGE.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—Bob Taylor, of Columbus, Ga., Tenn., has been arrested and brought here on a charge of illicit distilling and placed under bond for preliminary hearing. Taylor is accused of being the operator of a large still which was recently broken up by revenue raiders from Huntsville.

ARMY WORM AT WORK.

JONESBORO, Ark., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—The army worm has made its way into Craighead county. Several farmers say that the pest has appeared in their cotton. T. W. Self, who has a large farm near Bono, states that the worm was first seen on his cotton Wednesday and has already made great inroads on his cotton crop.

ILLEGAL STILL HOLE IN ARKANSAS BROKEN UP

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Aug. 28.—"Greasy Cove," considered by all officers of Western Arkansas as the most impregnable stronghold of the moonshiner in this state, has been swept clean by the officers and as a result there is in the county jail here Bud Cogburn, Little George Cogburn, Hike Cogburn, Toad Hill, Nick Hill and Granville Paty. The men are charged by the federal officials with operating illicit stills. The visit was timed in order that "Greasy Cove" would be reached just a little before daylight on Wednesday morning. The officers knew of the kinship that existed between all the residents of the "Greasy Cove" section and they took no chances on anybody ahead of them being forwarded. The first house they arrived at they arrested everybody within the house, and this plan was followed throughout the raid. The officers soon accumulated a throng of more than 80 persons under arrest, but as they were picking up the guilty persons, others were gradually slipping the dragnet around those they were specifically after. Officers Hall and Hopper had gone there early in June and had destroyed three stills. "Greasy Cove" is situated in the mountains of Montgomery county about 60 miles from this city.

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DIES IN FRANCE.

NEWBERN, Tenn., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—Mr. and Mrs. George Ellis, who reside in the Freeman chapel neighborhood, near Lanes ferry, have received a message from the war department at Washington stating that their son, John Ellis, had died somewhere in France. Mr. Ellis, who is a well-known farmer, has not learned the cause and the date of his son's death.

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PAY TO UNEMPLOYED IN ENGLAND IS REDUCED

LONDON, Aug. 28.—The payroll of the unemployed to whom the government is making a weekly dole has been reduced by about 400,000 names since May last when the government drew its purse strings tighter. From November to May the weekly benefits were paid to about 1,350,000 persons. Payments are now being made to about 750,000.

At first the amount paid the men out of work was \$6 a week; \$5 to women. \$4 to boys and \$2.50 to girls. There were smaller grants for children, so that it was possible for an unskilled workman with four children to draw nearly \$11 a week, which was more than some could earn at work. When the joyful news of this pay for doing nothing spread many tired workers immediately resigned their jobs and came upon the government, according to testimony in the courts, while others who never had done so wished to do any work found themselves in the happy position of gathering unexpected manna from the heavens. The English newspapers say that Ireland availed itself wholeheartedly of this dole. Instructions from the government to disbursing officials were to lean toward the side of generosity and this policy appears to have prevailed.

BOY FALLS 75 FEET INTO WELL BUT IS UNHURT

JONESBORO, Ark., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—The 10-year-old son of Mrs. Adams, west of the city, fell into a well 75 feet deep, Thursday, and was only slightly injured. The lad was drawing a bucket of water when the rope broke pulling him in. As he fell he struck the wall which struck him over, causing him to strike the water on his feet. The water was six feet deep and this probably saved his life. The boy then grabbed the well casing and got on the water box which saved him from drowning. John Adams was at the Adams place, came to the rescue and in a few minutes secured a rope and pulled him out.

MAN CHARGED WITH COMPLICITY IN FIGHT

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—Bolling Henry, a Lincolnton, Ga., farmer, was brought to Huntsville yesterday and arraigned before United States Commissioner Watts on a charge of being involved in the shooting affray that occurred during a raid on a still west of Elkton last week in which one man was seriously injured. Henry was released on \$500 bail for appearance before the next federal grand jury convened. Witnesses of the fight were shot during the raid, in recovering.

GOES TO NORWAY.

HELENA, Ark., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—After returning from 21 months' service overseas, Louis D. Armstrong, famous jazz musician, has gone to New York, where he will join the suite of Col. M. M. Madras, assistant secretary of the United States government to Norway, with headquarters at Copenhagen. Armstrong was engaged in three of the hardest fights in the world war, and for bravery in action received the Croix de Guerre and the D. S. C. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Armstrong, reside in Helena, where their son was reared from childhood.

SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED

NEWBERN, Tenn., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—Milton E. Magee, Sam Ferguson and John L. Simlar, election commissioners for Dyer county, have called a special election to be held in the Fifteenth district at Trimble, Thursday, Sept. 4, for the purpose of electing a mayor, aldermen, school commissioners and tax assessor. W. R. Moore, Dr. J. H. Smith, I. N. Tull, W. B. Henley, T. A. Pierce and J. H. Moore have been appointed to hold the election.

FOOD CAR DELAYED.

COVINGTON, Tenn., Aug. 28. (Sp.)—The car of government food which has been ordered for Covington has been delayed on account of an error by Mayor Green in sending order for same to St. Louis when it should have been sent to Atlanta, Ga. The order has been stricken out and the car is expected in a few days.

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